

Guangzhou – Human Rights and Population Control in South China



Project Title	Guangzhou – Human Rights and Population Control in South China
Project Summary	Use open source data to compile a comprehensive report on both de jure and de facto implementation of population control policies in South China since 2008.
Country	China

Project Description

The United States Department of State prioritizes standing up for human rights. Since the institution of the one-child policy in 1979, unknown numbers of women across China have been forced against their will to undergo sterilizations or abortion procedures for pregnancies termed “out of plan.” Over the past 15 years, however, population control policy has shifted dramatically, with variance in implementation from province to province and even city to city. The U.S. Consulate Guangzhou is seeking interested, capable applicants to use open source data to compile a comprehensive report on both de jure and de facto implementation of population control policies in South China since 2008. Interns will look for as many details as possible on the who, what, when, where, and how of coerced abortions to help American diplomats better understand human rights concerns within the Guangzhou consular district. Minimum professional proficiency in reading simplified Chinese characters is preferred, but not necessary.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Analytical writing

Research

Additional Information

You will be working as part of a group conducting individualized research in this field. Depending on the number of successful applicants accepted onto the project, you may be asked to focus on a particular province or sub-topic. Those accepted onto the project will be given some background information to help them get started

on their research, but must be self-motivated and self-directed in their work. The final work product is a database of locations and enforcement procedures.

Language Requirements

Language	Speaking Proficiency	Reading Proficiency	Importance
Chinese-Mandarin	Minimum professional proficiency	Minimum professional proficiency	Nice to Have